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Million Girl
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AFTER BETTING 100,000,000 YEN, THERE IS FINALLY A DECISIVE BATTLE OF BETTING LUCK IN THE STORY.

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MILLION GIRL

GAME.9 Million Girl Challenge

The surprising truth is...?!
THE MILLION GIRL IS LEON'S FIANCEE?!
WINNING THE MONEY GAME WAS ABOUT BECOMING YOUR FIANCEE?
WAIT A SECOND!

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THE SHIROGANE HOUSEHOLD IS THE WORLD-LEADING CONGLOMERATE.
WE MUST GATHER EXCELLENT PEOPLE TO MAINTAIN OUR ASSETS.
THESE EXCELLENT PEOPLE ARE THOSE WHO HAVE THE POWER TO DRAW LUCK TO THEMSELVES.
THE PURPOSE OF THIS GAME IS TO LOCATE THOSE PEOPLE
NO WAY!
BWA!
I DEFINITELY DON'T WANT TO BE PART OF SOMETHING LIKE THE SHIROGANE FAMILY!
THEN, EVEN IF I WIN THIS GAME, I WON'T BE ABLE TO GO BACK TO MY PREVIOUS LIFESTYLE?!
Ah
Pfft
ha
ha
ha
ha
?!

THAT'S RUDE
Hch.
OF COURSE, YOU DON'T WANT TO BECOME MY FIANCEE, BUT—
IF YOU BECOME THE SHIROGANE HOUSEHOLD'S FIRST LADY, YOU WILL SPEND YOUR LIFE WITHOUT FINANCIAL TROUBLES
FURTHERMORE THE PRIZE MONEY FOR THE MILLION GIRL CHALLENGE IS 100,000,000 YEN
YOU ARE THE ONLY ONE WHO HAS CHALLENGED AKI AND WON
That's the same amount of money as the debt!
100,000,000 yen!
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP
All of the 11,000,000 I've earned up until now...
BA-DUMP
DUMP
HOWEVER, YOU WILL BE BETTING ALL OF THE MONEY ON IT

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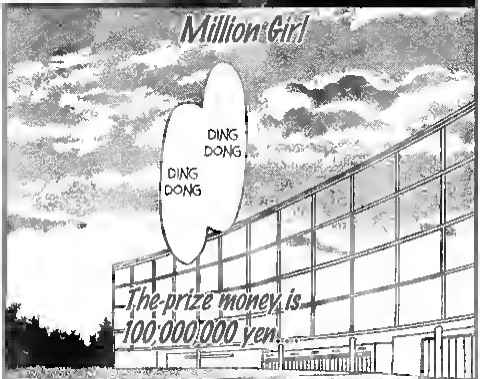
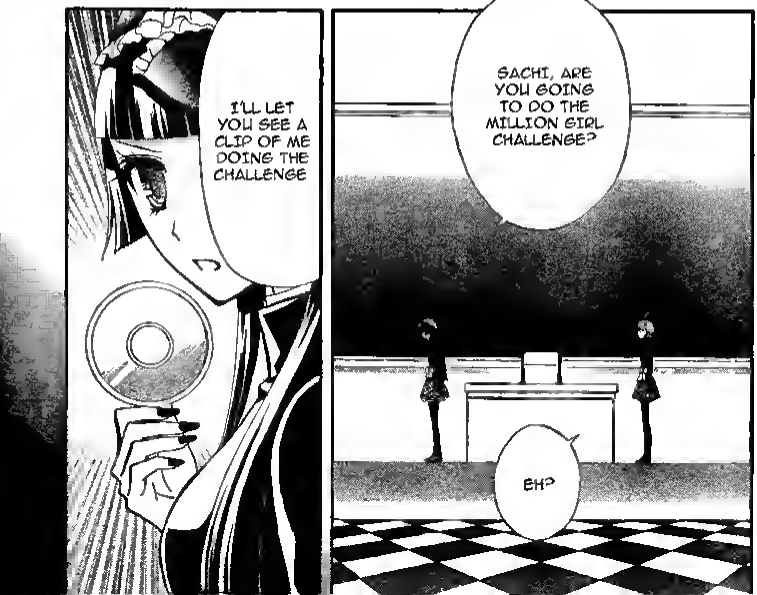
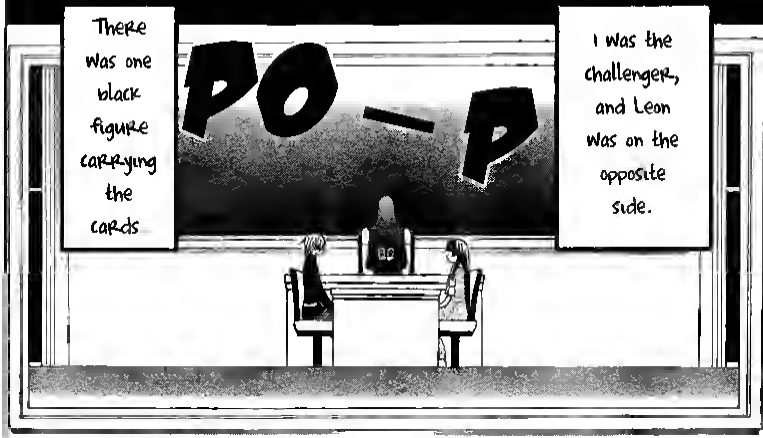
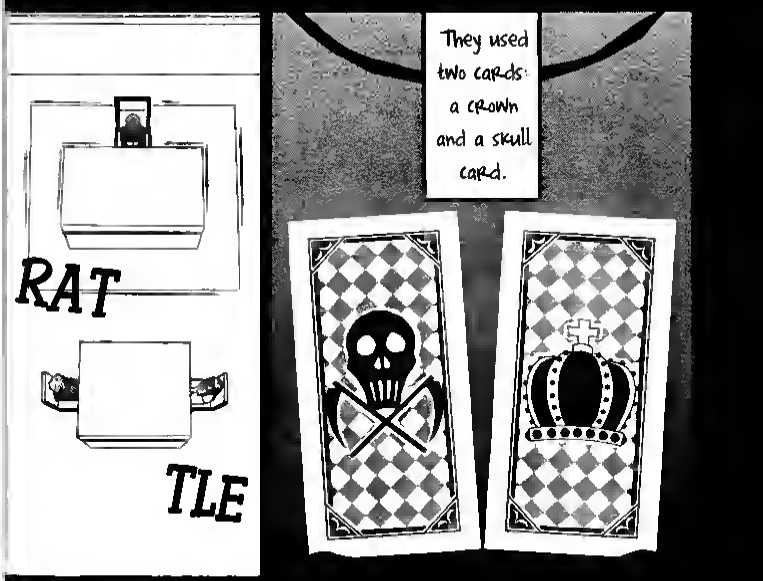


I don't want to become Leon's bride, but
Ba-Dump
Ba-Dump
Ba-Dump
if I get my hands on the 100,000,000 yen, I'll be free from debt
Hmm...
For the time being, I'll think of a way to make Leon hate me so that I can clear the challenge!
SACHI.
COULD I HAVE A MOMENT WITH YOU?
AKI?!

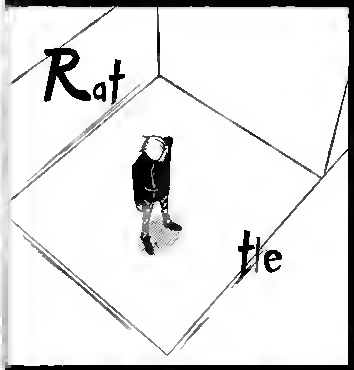
THIS YEAR, THAT GUY
HE SAYS THAT HE'LL PUT THE AIRCON ON FOR 9 DAYS AND 19 HOURS


I'LL LET YOU SEE A CLIP OF ME DOING THE CHALLENGE
SACHI, ARE YOU GOING TO DO THE MILLION GIRL CHALLENGE?
EH?


There was one black figure carrying the cards
PO—P
I was the challenger, and Leon was on the opposite side.


RAT
TLE
They used two cards: a crown and a skull card.

The black figure projects the cards that have been turned over on a large screen
Left
Right
You answer with which one you think the crown card is
RIGHT!
ROAR
The game master's desk lifts up along with the two cards.


Rat
tle

STANDS...

And
then...

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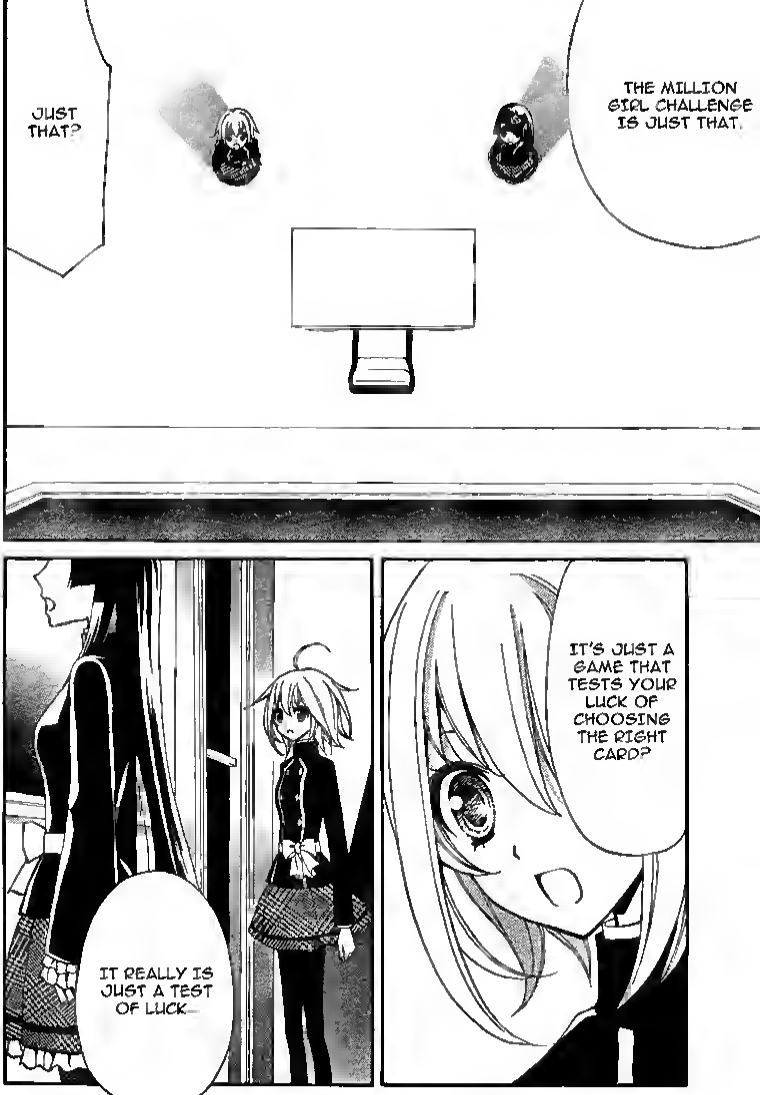
Lem ols
goes
upwar-ds.

RUSTLE...
BANG
Leon stabs the card that wasn't chosen with a knife.
THAT'S TOO BAD.
THE RIGHT CARD IS A SKULL.
BEEP...


JUST THAT?
THE MILLION GIRL CHALLENGE IS JUST THAT.
IT'S JUST A GAME THAT TESTS YOUR LUCK OF CHOOSING THE RIGHT CARD?
IT REALLY IS JUST A TEST OF LUCK—

WHEN YOU LOSE THIS GAME, YOU FORFEIT ALL OF THE PRIZE MONEY YOU'VE EARNED THUS FAR
I GOT RICH THREE TIMES AND MISSED OUT THREE TIMES
EH...
IT WASN'T JUST ME EVERY ONE OF THE CHALLENGERS HAS MISSED OUT.
WHAT'S THIS ABOUT?
MAKE NO MISTAKE. THIS IS A TRICK!
BECAUSE THE DESK IS RAISED UP UNTIL BOTH DESKS ARE LINED UP. THE CARD COULD BE SWITCHED FOR A SKULL CARD!
THAT CAN'T BE!

IN THE BEGINNING, THE MONEY GAME GATHERED MONEY FROM THOSE WHO PARTICIPATED. BUT WHEN PEOPLE WON AND ADVANCED TO THE NEXT ROUND, THE GAME MASTER OPENED IT UP AS A GAME WHERE YOU COULD PARTICIPATE AND WIN LARGE AMOUNTS OF MONEY
USING TRICKERY THE GAME IS STRUCTURED SO THAT THE GATHERED MONEY AND THE PRIZE MONEY WILL BE REGAINED
WHY? ISN'T THE SHIROGANE GROUP LOOKING FOR EXCELLENT, TALENTED PEOPLE ?
THAT IS MOST LIKELY A FRONT.
COME
THAT IS THE TRUE NATURE OF THE MILLION GIRL CHALLENGE!

Roar
HUH? THE ELEVATOR IS GOING SIDEWAYS?
THIS ISN'T A NORMAL ELEVATOR. IT STRETCHES THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL. IT'S A SECRET PASSAGEWAY.
ROAR
WHI
NE
WE'VE ARRIVED.

HOW PRETTY...

The air conditioner?
What is that huge contraption...?
I DIDN'T THINK THE TIME WOULD COME WHEN I WOULD TALK TO YOU IN THIS PLACE.
LEON AND I ARE CHILDHOOD FRIENDS.

IN SECOND GRADE, FOR SOME REASON, LEON TRANSFERRED TO THE SAME SCHOOL
TRUTHFULLY, I'M ATTENDING THE IMPERIAL CAPITAL, BUT BEING RICH MEANS NOTHING TO ME
IT WAS FOUND OUT RIGHT AWAY THAT LEON WAS A CHILD OF THE SHIROGANE CONGLOMERATE, AND HE FAILED TO MAKE ANY FRIENDS
I ATTENDED A NORMAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WHEN I WAS LITTLE
THEN, THE BULLYING BEGAN

But no matter what anyone did to him, he didn't oppose them.
THUD
BECAUSE YOU'RE RICH, YOU THINK YOU'LL BE SPOILED, DON'T YOU?!
THUD
IT WOULD BE GOOD IF YOU KNEW THE TROUBLES OF CARRYING A BAG!
I ended up seeing it...
STOP PICKING ON THE TRANSFER STUDENT!
AKI...
YOU'RE CHEEKY, AREN'T YOU?!
From that day on, I became a bullying target.

...THE CASE OF AKI STEALING THE BREEDING FEE.
THE CLASS MEETING IS BEGINNING! TODAY'S AGENDA IS
I was the official for breeding, but...
HUH? THE BREEDING FEE I GATHERED FROM EVERYONE ISN'T HERE
I understood right away that it was the bullies who had hid the fees.
IS THAT TRUE, AKI-SAN?
YESTERDAY, ON THE WAY HOME, I SAW AKI TAKE EVERYONE'S MONEY OUT OF THE ENVELOPE AND SPEND IT ON SNACKS!
I SAW IT~~~
I DIDN'T DO ANY...

AKI-SAN,
PLEASE TAKE EVERYONE'S MONEY OUT OF YOUR BAG AND SHOW US
THAT'S RIGHT. TAKE IT OUT!
TAKE IT OUT!
TAKE IT OUT!
TAKE IT OUT!
TAKE IT OUT!

PLEASE! STOP IT!
BAM!
DOING SOMETHING LIKE USING MONEY TO BULLY PEOPLE IS THE LOWEST!
WHAT YOU'RE DOING IS THE SAME AS A YAKUZA.

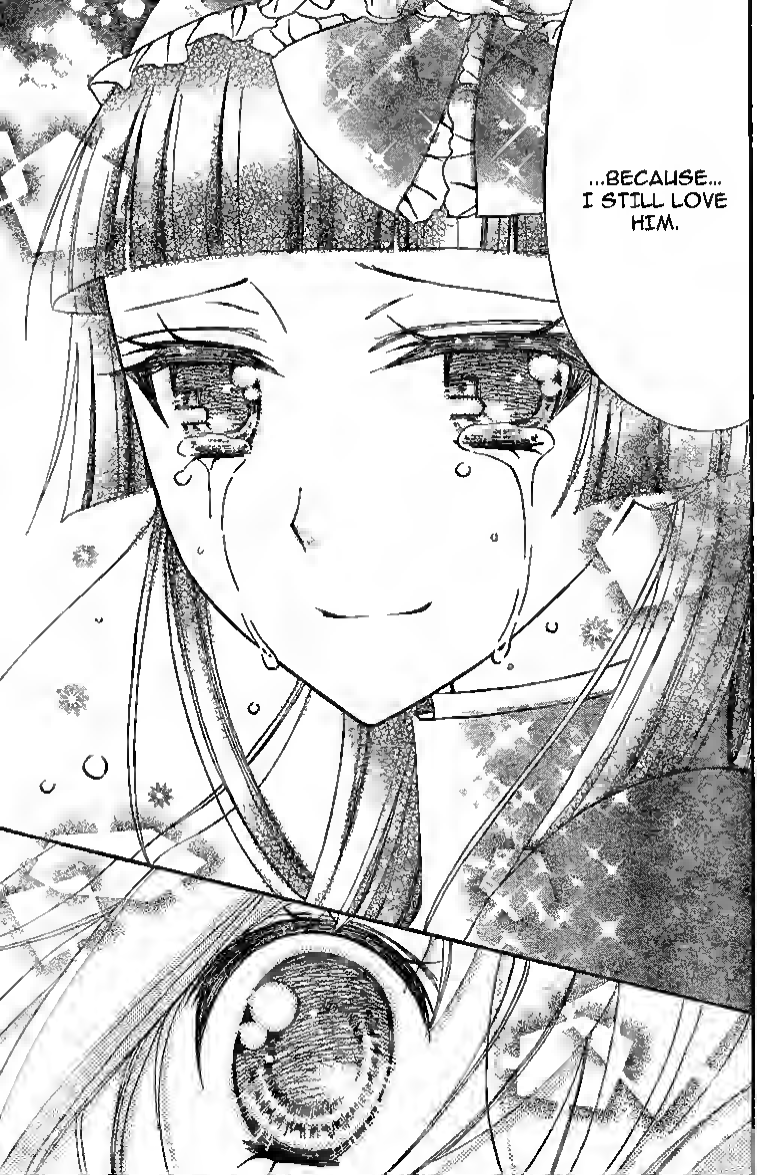
LEON...?

LEON'S FATHER RESISTED THE OPPOSITION FROM HIS RELATIVES AND ELOPED WITH LEON'S MOTHER.

WHEN HIS FATHER DIED, LEON WAS SEPARATED FROM HIS MOTHER AND RETURNED TO THE SHIROGANE GROUP...

LEON SAID THIS IN HIS FAVORITE WAY.

THEN, WHY IS LEON, WHO HAS THAT PAST, DOING SOMETHING LIKE THE MONEY GAME?


...BECAUSE... I STILL LOVE HIM.

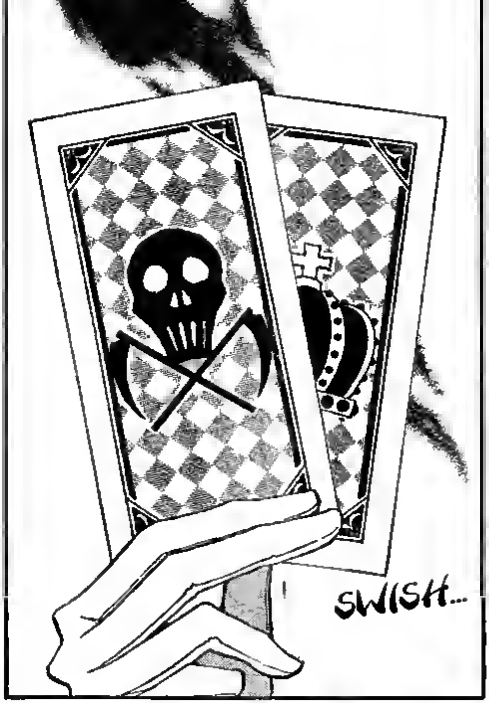
THE MONEY GAME USES MONEY AS BAIT AND MANIPULATES PEOPLE ONLY TO AMUSE LEON.
BUT EVEN THOUGH EVERYONE KNOWS THAT, THEY CAN'T ESCAPE.
MONEY LEADS PEOPLE ASTRAY!
THAT'S WHY THIS GAME WON'T GO AWAY, AND THE AMOUNT OF PEOPLE SADDENED BY IT WILL CONTINUE TO INCREASE.
YOU TOO... PLEASE BE CAREFUL.

Why must people who have money suffer?
WHY?!

HELLO, THIS IS KOHAKU SACHI.
Beep
Beep
Beep
Beep
Beep
HOWEVER, I HAVE ONE CONDITION.
OH, YOU HAVE COME TO A DECISION?
I WILL DO THE MILLION GIRL CHALLENGE

BA
M!
May 9,
11:30 AM

FINALLY, THE MILLION GIRL CHALLENGE WILL BEGIN.
THIS IS THE TIME AND VENUE THAT SACHI-SAN REQUESTED.
OOOH
IF YOU WIN, YOU'LL BE THE MILLION GIRL.
IN OTHER WORDS, YOU'LL BE THE SHIROGANE GROUP'S FIRST LADY
100,000,000 YEN WILL BE HANDED OVER TO YOU
IT WILL ALSO BE A GOODBYE TO THIS GAME, WON'T IT?


SWISH...

YOU HEARD THE EXPLANATION OF THE GAME FROM AKI-SAN, DIDN'T YOU?
LET'S START THE GAME AT ONCE
HOW DID YOU KNOW THAT?!
IT WAS DECIDED THAT THE LAST MILLION GIRL CHALLENGER WILL EXPLAIN THE GAME TO THE NEXT CHALLENGER

—BA-DUMP!

HEY, LEON IS THIS GAME REALLY A TRICK?
EVEN IF IT WAS A TRICK,
WHY DIDN'T YOU LET AKI BECOME THE MILLION GIRL?
YOU PERSONALLY CHOSE TO TAKE THE CHALLENGE.

SOMEONE MUST DEFEAT YOU!
I REALLY DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE THINKING
BUT I'LL SAY WHAT IS CLEAR HERE AND NOW.
Will Sachi be the one to surpass Leon?-Tensions will-climax in the next volume!!
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The fated game that is surrounded by 100,000,000 yen
At last,
And so, the one with the last laugh is?
Thanks for the great support!!
Last Game
The Most Important Thing
Million Girl

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WE'VE PREPARED THE CARDS HERE
IN THIS GAME, THE ONLY TWO CARDS WE WILL BE USING ARE A CROWN CARD AND A SKULL CARD
THEN, THE GAME WILL BE CONDUCTED IN THE GAME MASTER'S CHAIR

AS THE CHALLENGER, YOU NEED TO CORRECTLY SAY WHICH ONE OF THE TWO CARDS IS THE CROWN CARD
IF YOU ANSWER CORRECTLY, YOU WIN 100,000,000 YEN.
IF YOU MISS,
Rustle
YOU'LL FORFEIT ALL THE PRIZE MONEY YOU'VE WON UP UNTIL NOW

SACHI..
NOW,
I'LL PUT THE TWO CARDS IN THE THRONE
WAIT!
LEON, I WANT THIS GAME TO BE PLAYED FAIR AND SQUARE
AT FIRST, I THOUGHT THAT THE MONEY GAME WAS CRUEL.
BUT NOW, I'M A LITTLE GRATEFUL FOR IT

I ALSO REALIZED THAT IT IS IMPORTANT TO CLEAR MY FATE WITH MY OWN POWER
BUT THAT WAS BECAUSE THE MATCHES WERE FAIR AND SQUARE

I PARTICIPATED IN THIS GAME,
AND IT MADE ME REALIZE HOW IMPORTANT MY USUAL LIFESTYLE AND FRIENDS REALLY ARE

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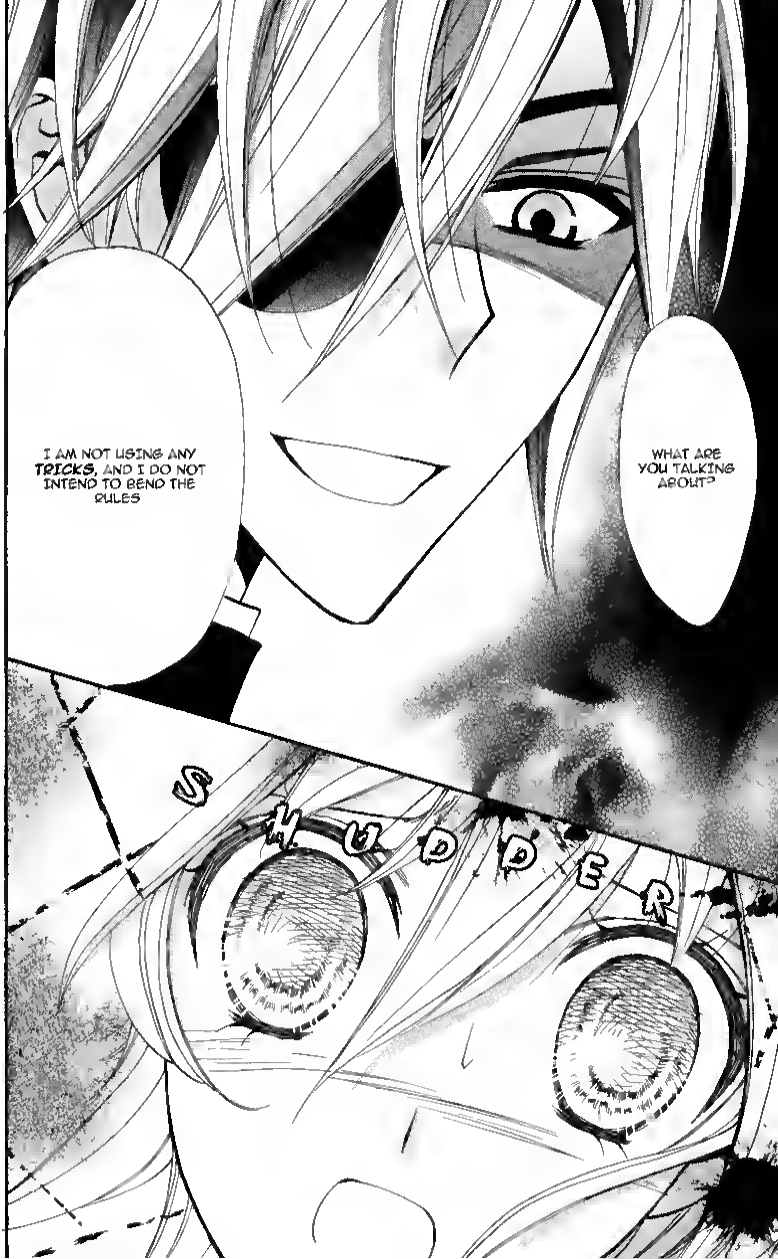
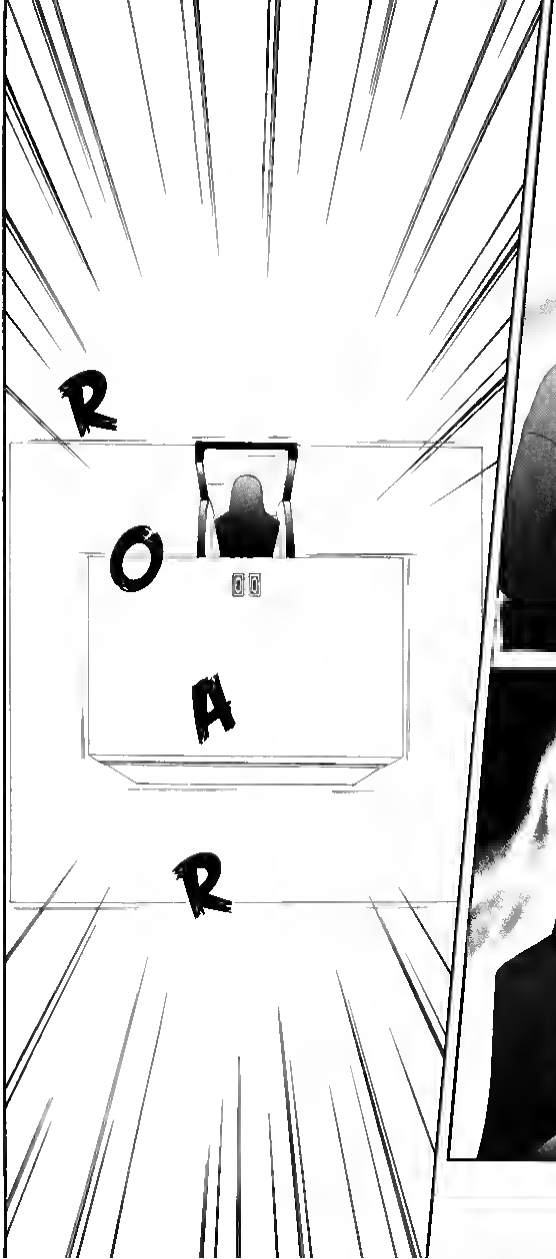
EVEN THOUGH SOMEONE SHOULD HAVE WON THIS GAME ONCE OR TWICE NOT ONE PERSON HAS WON!
IS BECOMING A MILLION GIRL JUST A PHRASE FOR INVITING PEOPLE TO PLAY A GAME WHERE YOU CONFISCATE THEIR PRIZE MONEY UN-FAIRLY?
I WANT YOU TO QUIT USING THIS TRICKERY!


I AM NOT USING ANY TRICKS, AND I DO NOT INTEND TO BEND THE RULES
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
SHUDDER

AS I THOUGHT. IT IS A TRICK!
YOU PROBABLY CHANGE THE CARDS IN THE MIDDLE!
YOU... COWARD!
SWISH
As I thought, I have no choice but to do this...
IT'S FINE, KEITO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R O A R
The cards should be switched just about now!
I can't see the cards...

B
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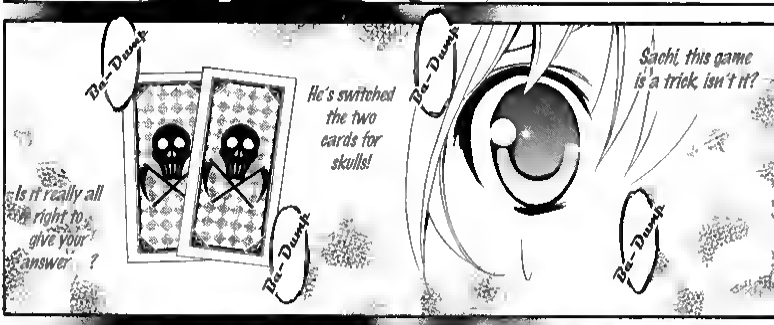
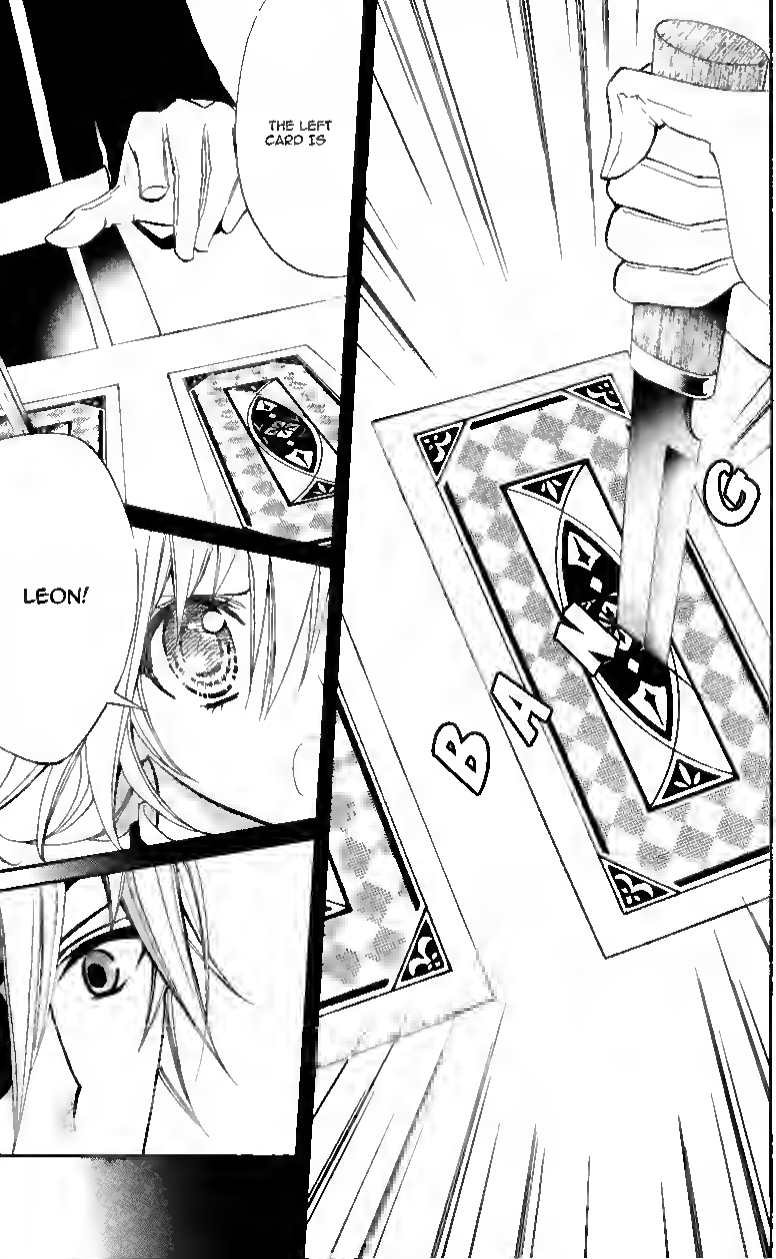
Cheer

SWOOSH
AND SO SACHI...
PLEASE CHOOSE WHICH CARD IS THE CROWN CARD ON TOP OF THE THRONE
Swoosh
SACHI...

THE LEFT CARD!


Ba-Dump
He's switched the two cards for skulls!
Ba-Dump
Is it really all right to give your answer?
Ba-Dump
Ba-Dump
Sachi, this game is a trick, isn't it?
Ba-Dump

SO THE LEFT ONE IS THE CROWN
GLINT


THE LEFT CARD IS
LEON!
BANG

I DON'T THINK YOU TRULY WANT TO DO THIS GAME
I HEARD ABOUT YOUR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DAYS FROM AKI
YOU'RE REALLY A KIND PERSON, AREN'T YOU?
YOU WANT TO STOP AKI FROM BEING SAD...
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU HEARD, BUT THAT WAS IN THE PAST...
WE'RE WASTING TIME. YOU'RE MAKING THE SPECTATORS WAIT

YOU KNOW, I...
I HAD AN OLDER BROTHER
TWITCH
WHEN I WAS A KINDERGARTENER, MY OLDER BROTHER, WHO WAS A FIRST GRADER AND MY FATHER PASSED AWAY TOGETHER IN A TRAFFIC ACCIDENT
I ONLY HAVE VAGUE MEMORIES OF HIM, BUT I LOVED MY KIND, OLDER BROTHER.

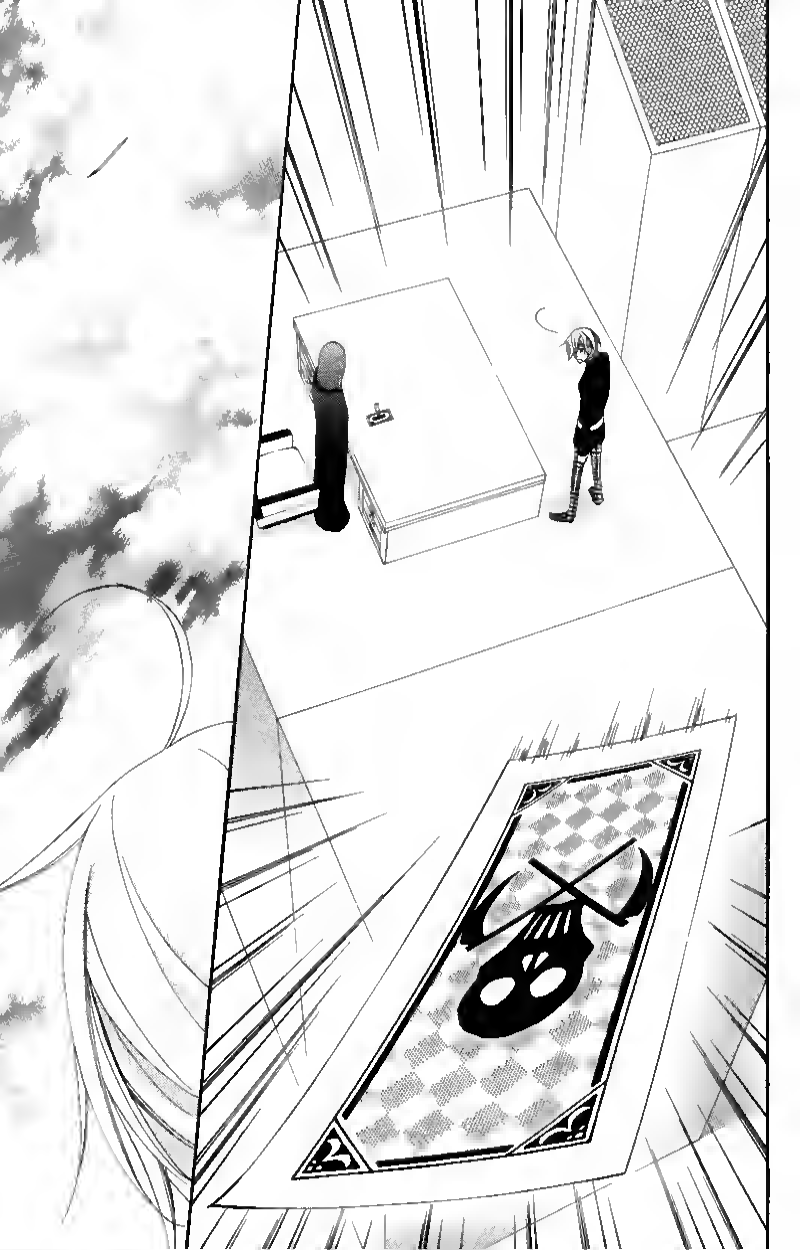
WHEN YOU GIVE ME HINTS DURING THE GAME, YOU HAD THE SAME KIND FEELING THAT MY OLDER BROTHER HAD!
WHY WON'T YOU SHOW THAT KINDNESS TO AKI?
WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE OF A MATCH RIGHT NOW! IS THIS THE TIME TO BE TALKING ABOUT OTHER PEOPLE?
IT'S TROUBLESOME TO TALK ABOUT THINGS I DON'T REMEMBER MYSELF.
ALSO, IF YOU DON'T WIN THIS, YOU'LL BE A LAUGHINGSTOCK!

I'LL WIN!
SMILE
IS THAT ?!

Ding
Dong
Ding
Dong
?!
Today at noon, the air conditioning facilities will be turned on.
I repeat
WHAT'S THIS VIBRATION?
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE

THERE IS A VIBRATION FROM THE AIR CONDITIONING VENTS ON THE ROOFTOP.
THE VENTS HERE?
THE AIR CONDITIO-NING IS FINALLY ON
I'M HAPPY.
ROAR

FWOOSH



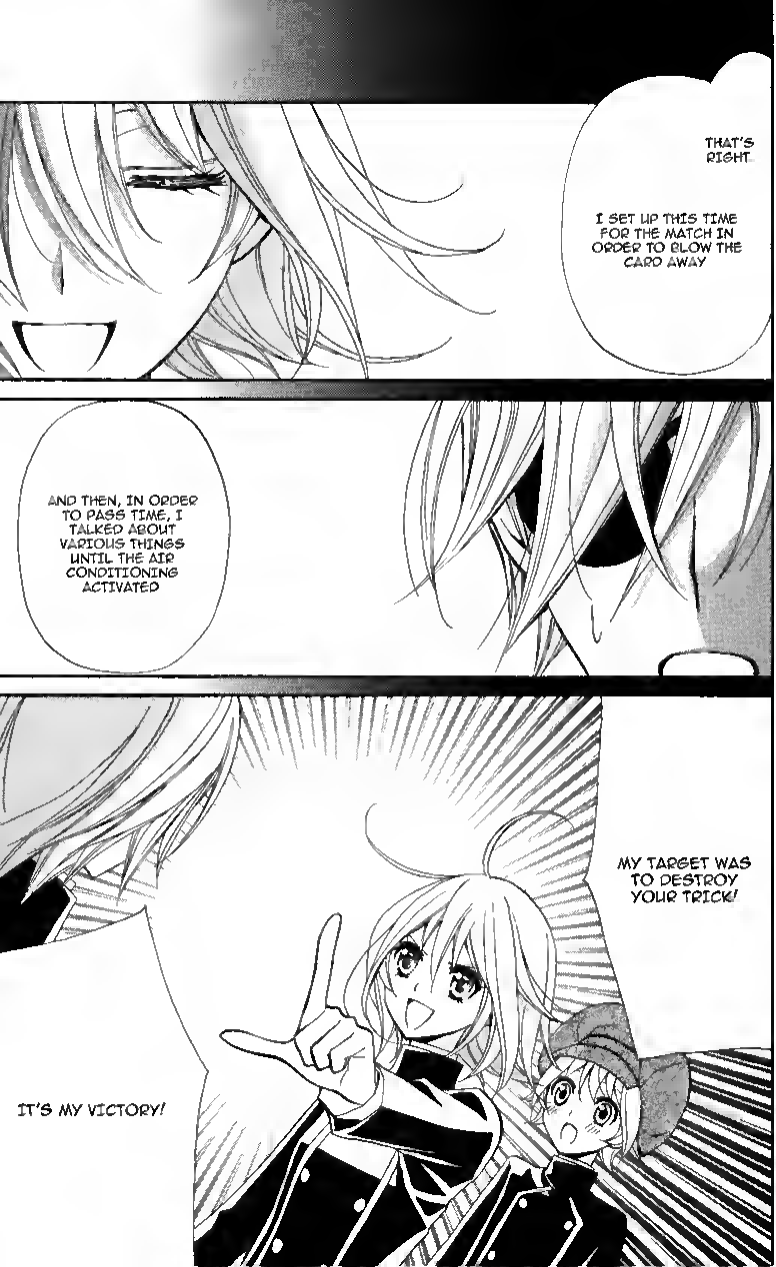
THE CARD HAS..
THE AIR CONDITIONING FACILITIES HAVE STARTED UP
IS THAT SO...?
THE LEFT CARD THAT SACHI CHOSE ENDED UP BEING BLOWN AWAY, DIDN'T IT?
THEN, WE WILL HAVE TO START OVER
ROAR
IT ISN'T NECESSARY TO START OVER

HAVING "THE CARD I DIDN'T CHOOSE" IS ENOUGH
SHOCK
RIGHT?
SWISH

IF WE KNOW WHAT THE LEFT OVER CARD IS, WE SHOULD KNOW IF I HAVE CHOSEN CORRECTLY, RIGHT?
THE CARD I CHOSE ENDED UP BEING BLOWN AWAY, BUT..
CLICK
IF THERE WAS A TRICK, THEY COULD HAVE BOTH BEEN SKULLS, BUT...
THAT SHOULDN'T BE THE CASE, RIGHT, LEON?
.....!

BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP

THIS WAS BY CHANCE
THIS MEANS THAT THE CARD I CHOSE WAS THE CROWN, DOESN'T IT?
NO... IT COULDN'T BE!!


THAT'S RIGHT.
I SET UP THIS TIME FOR THE MATCH IN ORDER TO BLOW THE CARD AWAY
AND THEN, IN ORDER TO PASS TIME, I TALKED ABOUT VARIOUS THINGS UNTIL THE AIR CONDITIONING ACTIVATED
MY TARGET WAS TO DESTROY YOUR TRICK!
IT'S MY VICTORY!

THE WINNER OF THE MILLION GIRL CHALLENGE IS KOHAKU SACHI!
THUD

ROAR
ROAR

WITH THIS, I HAVE BOUGHT MY FREEDOM!
BAM!
I WILL RETURN THE 100,000,000 YEN TO YOU

I did it, Mother!
SNIFF

LET'S GO!
IT'S FINE IF YOU'VE RETURNED IT

BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
HMM...
IT'S ALREADY THIS LATE!
JUMPS

Even though the Money Game has finished,
I will attend the Imperial Capital until I graduate.
DAAAA...
GOOD MORNING
SCREECH
WAH!
YOU HAVE SOME BUSIN-ESS WITH ME ?

I AM...
BECAUSE YOU REFUSED TO BE THE MILLION GIRL, I MUST RESUME THE GAME
INVITATION
IN THAT CASE WILL YOU TRY PARTICIPATING IN THE MONEY GAME AGAIN?
THANKS TO YOU I KNOW HOW PRECIOUS MONEY IS
EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE FREE FROM YOUR PREVIOUS DEBT, YOU'LL CONTINUE TO HAVE HAPOSHIPS FROM YOUR PART-TIME JOBS, WON'T YOU?
...
YOU CAN LIVE WITHOUT HAVING TO DO PART-TIME JOBS
OR WILL YOU RETURN TO BEING THE MILLION GIRL AND COME TO THE SHIROGANE FAMILY?

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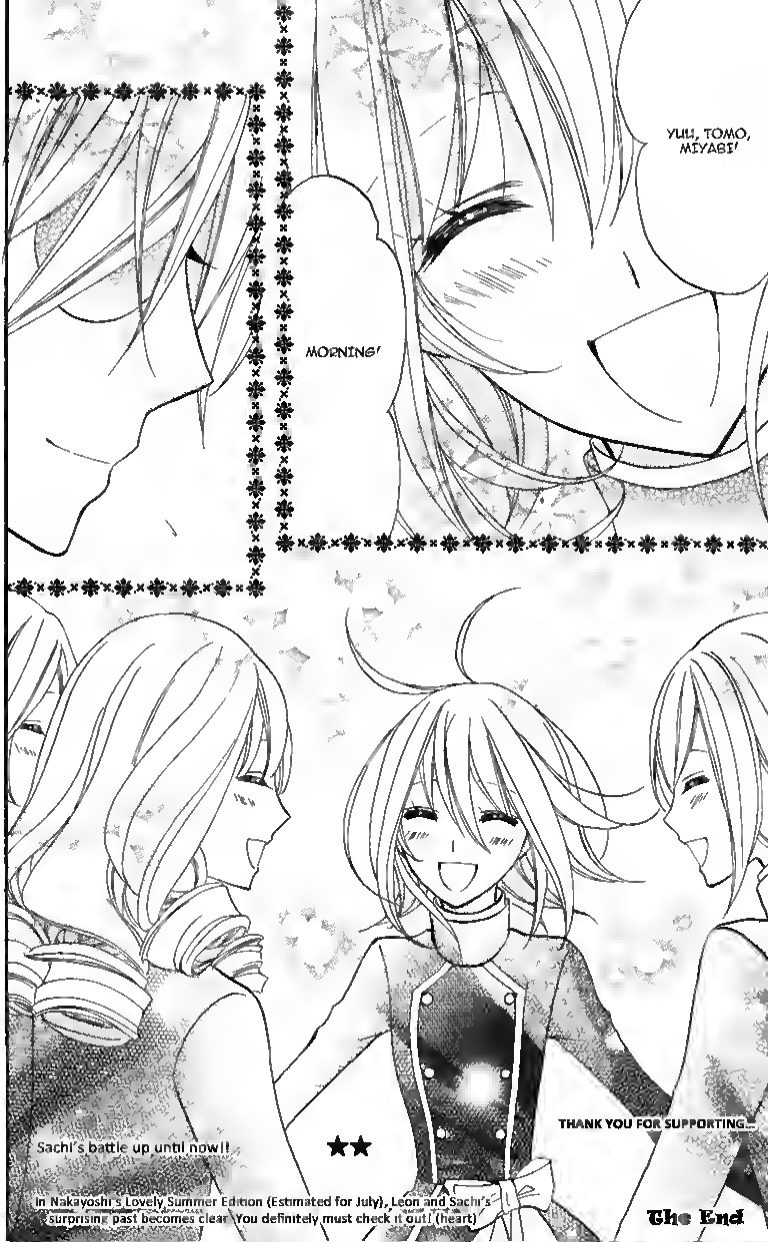
...SORRY!
SACHI!
MONEY IS ALSO IMPORTANT, BUT I HAVE SOMETHING MORE VALUABLE THAN MONEY!


YUU, TOMO, MIYABI!
MORNING!
THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING...
Sachi's battle up until now!!
In Nakayoshi's Lovely Summer Edition (Estimated for July), Leon and Sachi's surprising past becomes clear. You definitely must check it out! (heart)
The End

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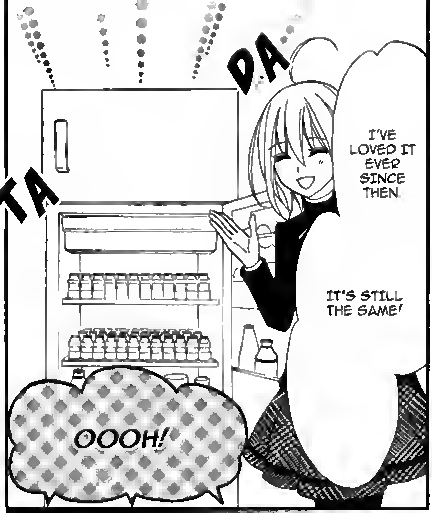
MORNING, SACHI!!
YUU, TOMO, MIYABI, MORNING!!
WE STILL HAVE TIME, SO WHY DON'T WE TAKE IT EASY?
it's been a month since the money game ended
I got my regular life back and I'm starving to go to school and my part-time job
Tap
SACHI, THAT PHOTO
REMEMBERING YOUR MOTHER?

EH?
YOU HAVE A BROTHER SACHI?
YES MY MOTHER AND
MY FATHER AND BIG BROTHER
WHEN I WAS LITTLE, THEY GOT INTO A CAR ACCIDENT AND FELL FROM A CLIFF
MY MOTHER SAID THAT IT WAS TOO HARD TO LOOK AT PHOTOS OF HIM, SO SHE THREW THEM ALL AWAY,
SO I CAN'T REMEMBER HIS FACE CLEARLY
Nine years ago...

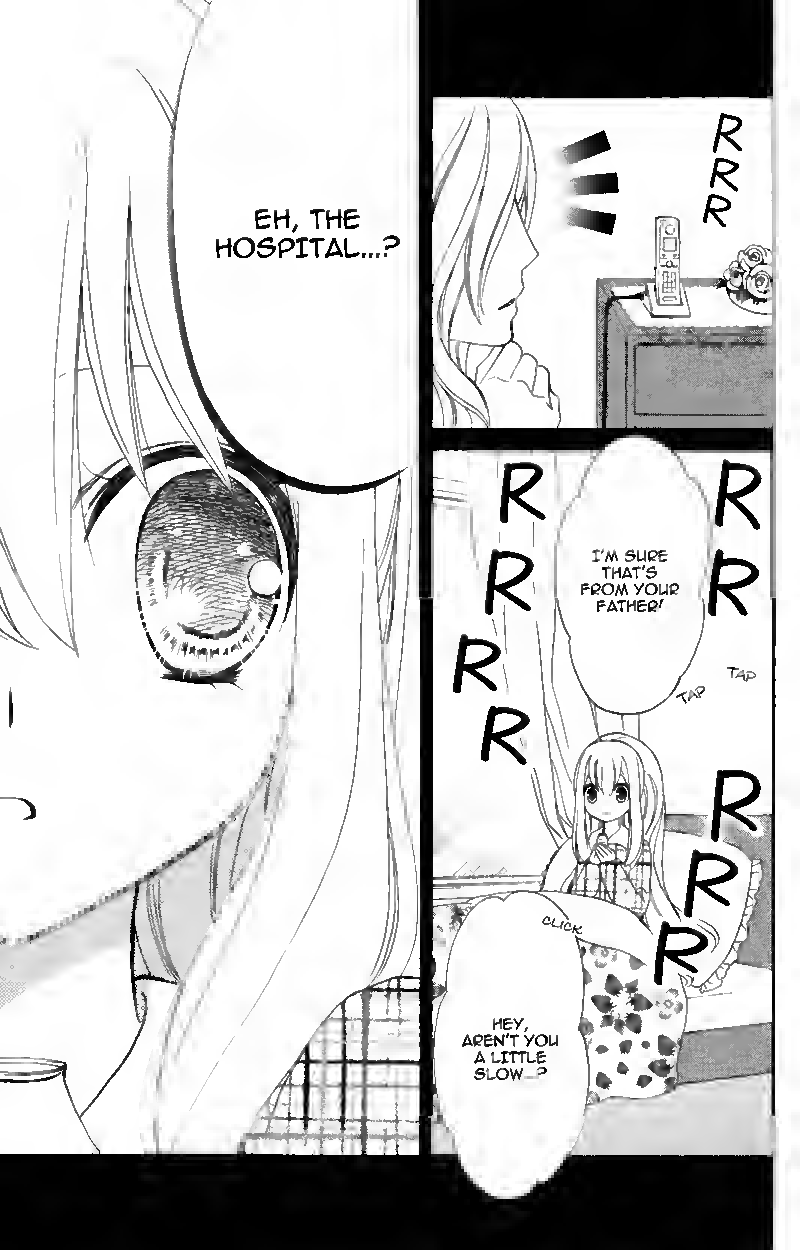
FATHER, ONII-CHAN,
I'LL GO OUT WITH YOU!!
NO, SACHI! YOU HAVE A FEVER!
NO!!
STRUGGLE
STRUGGLE
THERE'S NO HELPING IT

PAT
SOUR MILK
YOUR BIG BROTHER GAVE YOU HIS SHARE AS WELL,
SO BE OBEDIENT TODAY AND WATCH OVER THE HOUSE!
COME HOME QUICKLY!
YOU HAVE TO!

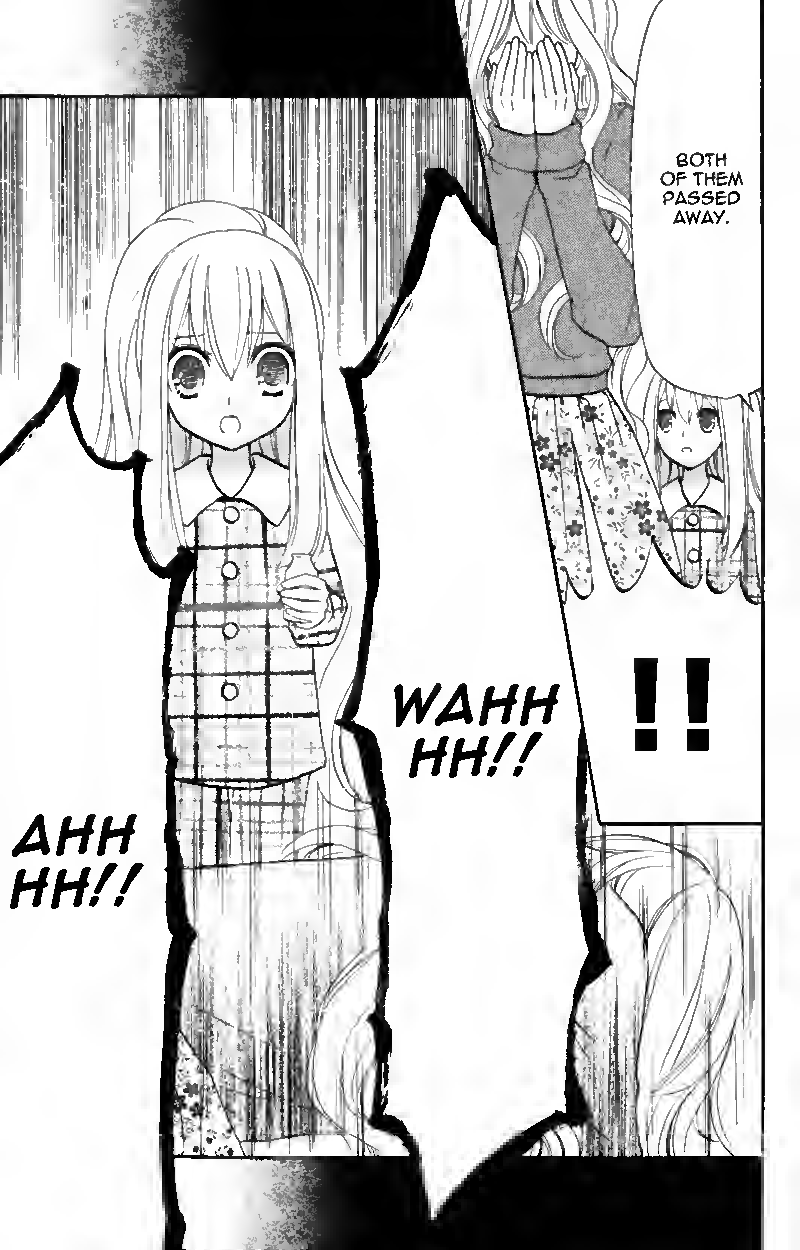

DA
TA
I'VE LOVED IT EVER SINCE THEN
IT'S STILL THE SAME!
OOOH!

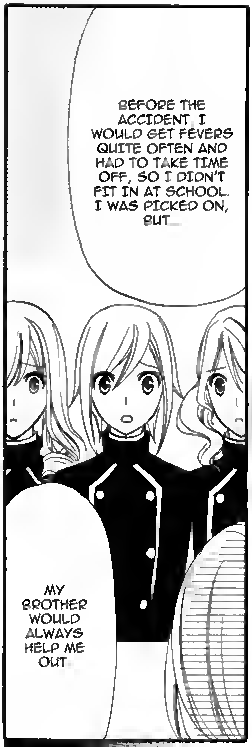
I DRANK SOUR MILKY A LOT WHEN I WAS A KID
THAT'S BECAUSE EVERYONE LOVED IT

It happened that evening
HEY, ONII-CHAN'S NOT BACK YET?
YES
THEY'RE VERY LATE
SLURP
SLURP

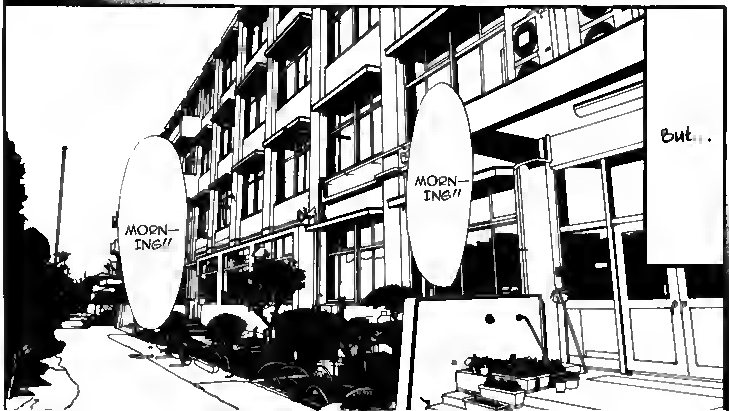

EH, THE HOSPITAL...?
RRR
I'M SURE THAT'S FROM YOUR FATHER!
TAP
TAP
CLICK
HEY, AREN'T YOU A LITTLE SLOW...?

MOTHER?
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
YOU ARE THEIR FAMILY, AREN'T YOU?
MY HUSBAND AND SON ARE...


BOTH OF THEM PASSED AWAY.
!!
WAHH HH!!
AHH HH!!


BEFORE THE ACCIDENT, I WOULD GET FEVERS QUITE OFTEN AND HAD TO TAKE TIME OFF, SO I DIDN'T FIT IN AT SCHOOL. I WAS PICKED ON, BUT...
MY BROTHER WOULD ALWAYS HELP ME OUT.

I WAS IN SHOCK, SO I DIDN'T GO TO SCHOOL FOR A WHILE


But...
MORN-ING!!
MORN-ING!!

MO-
MORNING
RATTLE
WHACK
!
RUSTLE
Quit coming to school!

DON'T EVER COME TO SCHOOL!
YOU CAN'T EVEN DO ANYTHING WITHOUT YOUR BIG BROTHER
WHAT'S WITH THAT FACE?
SUCH A DRAG
IT'S YOUR FAULT THAT OUR GROUP'S ALWAYS BEHIND BECAUSE YOU STAY HOME A LOT
GLARE

TAKE THAT!
SWOOSH
SPLASH
SOB
HIC
Ahahaha!!
Wedding!
Yay!!

Onii-chan couldn't help me anymore...

I couldn't stop crying for a while.

And then when I was tired from crying, I lifted my face...

I DIDN'T KNOW WHY THERE WAS A SOUR MILKY THERE,
BUT IT FELT AS THOUGH MY BROTHER WAS PROTECTING ME
SOUR
AND SINCE THEN, THE BULLYING STRANGELY WENT AWAY
HOW NOSTAL—GIC!
SHALL WE ALL DRINK SOME?
THIS IS NO TIME TO BE DRINKING!
YOU'RE RIGHT! IT'S ALREADY TIME!
TAP
TAP
LET'S HURRY
YEAH!!

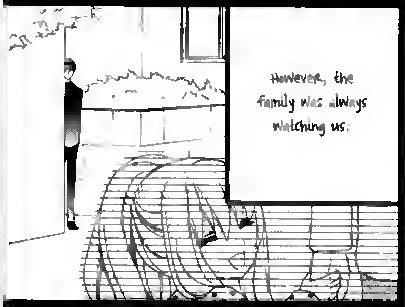
On the morning of the same day in the Shirogane family limousine
IT'S STRANGE FOR YOU TO GIVE ME A LIFT TO SCHOOL
WHAT IS THAT ANYWAY?
I'M HAVING IT FOR BREAKFAST THIS MORNING
IT'S STRANGE, ISN'T IT? HAVING A COMMONER'S DRINK
BUT
I FEEL NOSTALGIC WHEN I LOOK AT THIS
MILKY

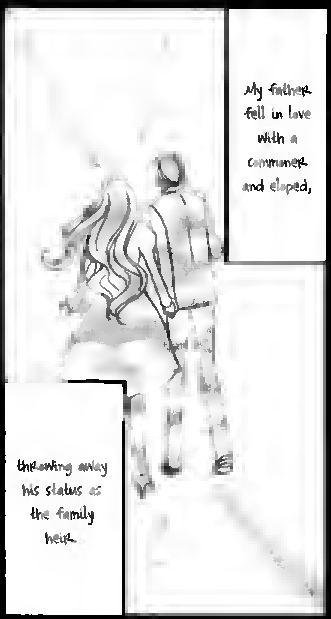
When I was very young, I got into an accident while driving with my father.
After that, I was taken into the Shirogane family
YOUR FATHER PASSED AWAY
YOU LOST YOUR RIGHT EYE, BUT YOUR CONDITION'S STABLE NOW
UM, DOCTOR!
WHEN CAN I SEE MY MOTHER AND LITTLE SISTER?

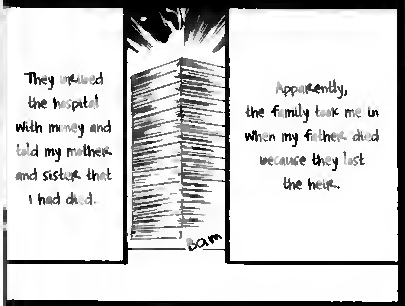
CREAK
WHO ARE YOU?

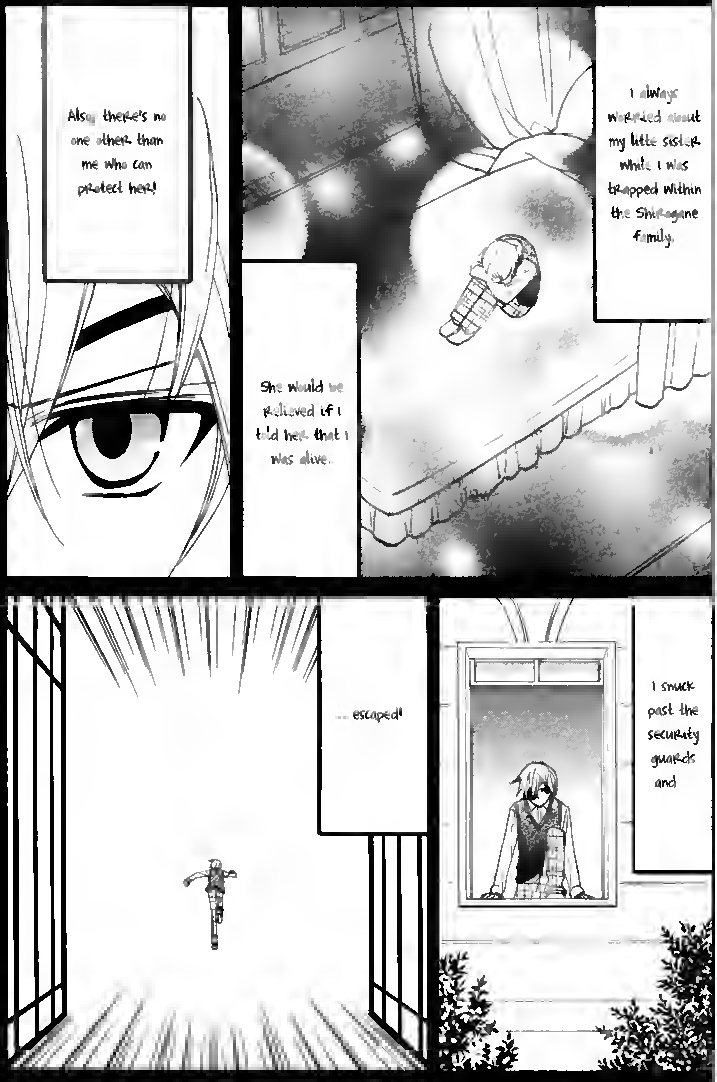
FORGET ABOUT YOUR MOTHER AND SISTER. YOU WILL LIVE AS THE HEIR TO THE WORLD-LEADING SHIROGANE FAMILY CONGLOMERATE.
HARUNE... FROM NOW ON, YOU WILL BE CALLED, LEON!

He was the president of the Shirogane family
The one who took me away was my grandfather.


However, the family was always watching us.


My father fell in love with a commoner and eloped,
throwing away his status as the family heir.


They insisted the hospital with money and told my mother and sister that I had died.
Apparently, the family took me in when my father died because they lost the heir.
BAM


I always worried about my little sister while I was trapped within the Shirogane family.
She would be relieved if I told her that I was alive.
Also, there's no one other than me who can protect her!
I snuck past the security guards and
... escaped!

The train is departing.
I'M THIRSTY.
DASH
!

SA—
THIS IS NO GOOD COMING TO A PLACE LIKE THIS
GRABS
LET GO!
I'M GOING BACK TO MY HOUSE TO PROTECT MY LITTLE SISTER!
IF YOU THROW AWAY YOUR POSITION AS THE HEIR TO THE SHIROGANE FAMILY, WE WILL DESTROY YOUR HOUSE
EVEN IF YOU ARE A GRANDCHILD OF THE FAMILY, IF YOU REJECT THE SUCCESSION, THINGS WILL GO BAD FOR THE WORLD, YOU KNOW?
I GET IT....
BUT LET ME DO JUST ONE THING.
WILL YOU STILL GO HOME?

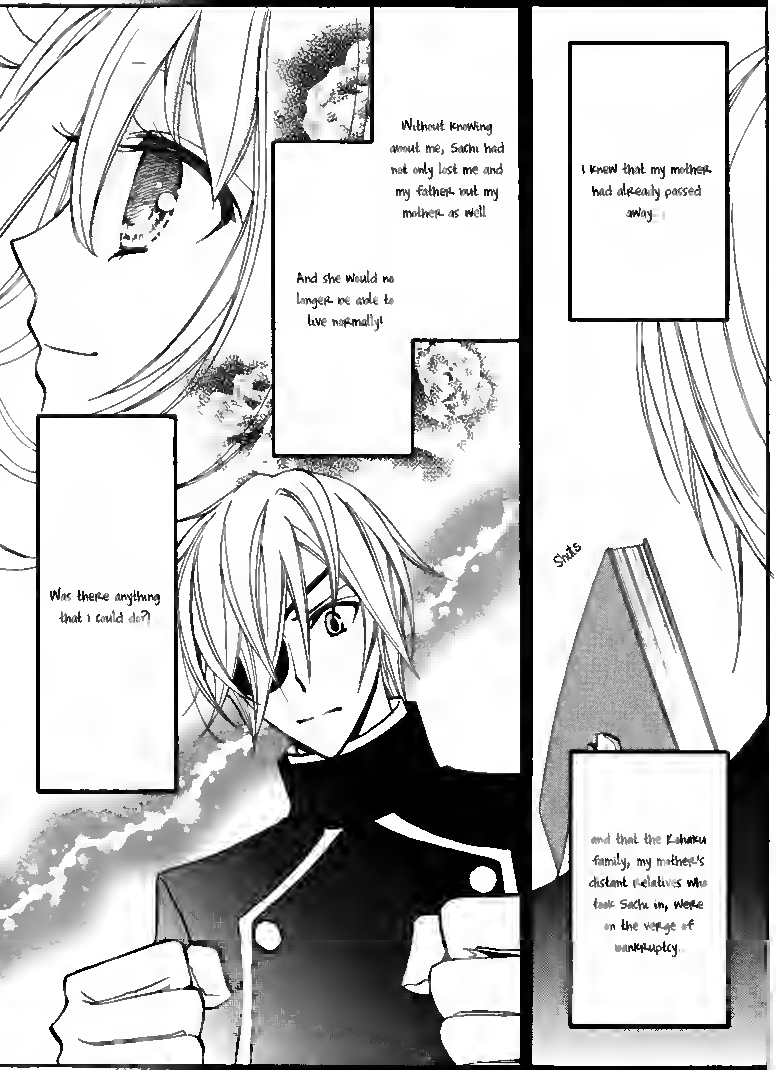
SHE'S STILL CRYING
Ahahaha! Let's go!
THUD
WAH!

THAT'S RIGHT. I'M A GHOST!
SA—
SACHI'S BROTHER?!
SHOULDN'T YOU BE DEAD? ARE YOU A GHOST?!
I CAME BACK SO THAT I COULD TAKE THOSE WHO BULLY SACHI TO HELL!
Wahh! We're sorry!!

Turns
Tap

Forgive me, Sachi.
Even if I lost my eye,
I won't stop watching over you.
I will watch over you
forever.

I became the family head for power in order to get back my freedom
If I did that, I could live with my mother and Saichi again.
I studied extra hard and became the top student of Teito Academy.
And then amongst the new students during spring of my second year in high school....
Saichi?! Why did she come to Teito?!


I knew that my mother had already passed away...
Shidō
and that the Kahaku family, my mother's distant relatives who took Sachi in, were on the verge of bankruptcy.
Without knowing about me, Sachi had not only lost me and my father but my mother as well
And she would no longer be able to live normally!
Was there anything that I could do?

AND SO, YOU PUT SACHI IN THE MONEY GAME...

Impor tant than money!
I have some-thing more
BUT SACHI GAINED SOME STRENGTH THAT SHE DIDN'T HAVE WHEN SHE WAS YOUNGER AND WON WITH HER OWN SKILLS

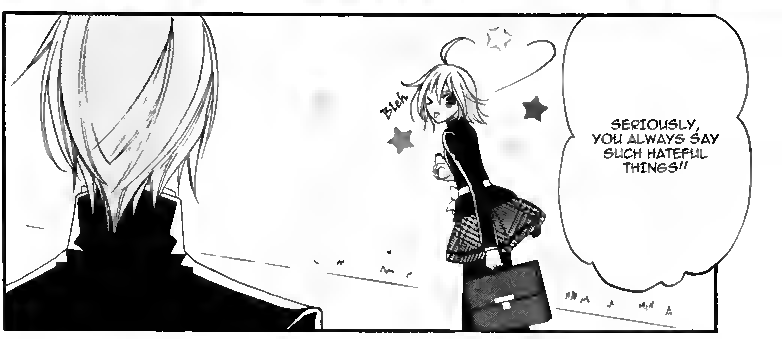
I WAS WORRIED THAT SACHI WOULD LOSE BUT
IF SHE WAS IN MY SIGHT, THEN I COULD SECRETLY HELP HER

I CAN'T BEAR IT WHEN I THINK THAT SACHI GOT HER STRENGTH FROM THE LONELINESS OF BEING SEPARATED FROM HER FAMILY.

LEON,
I'M SURE THAT SACHI CAN TAKE THE TRUTH WITH THE STRENGTH THAT SHE HAS IN HER HEART NOW
THAT'S WHY IF YOU TELL HER THE TRUTH
WHOOSH
AH!

LEON HAS SOUR MILK?
THAT'S A RARE THING FOR THE COOL SELLER LEON-SAMA TO BE DRINKING, ISN'T IT?
Giggle
Leon, will you finally tell her that you are her brother?!
.....

I THOUGHT THAT IF I DRANK THE SAME THING THAT COMMONERS DRINK, I COULD ACQUIRE YOUR TENACITY
HEH
SOUR


Bish
SERIOUSLY, YOU ALWAYS SAY SUCH HATEFUL THINGS!!

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GUIDANCE COUNSELING
THE GRADING IS TOUGH
WHY DO YOU WANT TO GO TO A NATIONAL UNIVERSITY TO STUDY MEDICINE, KAMURA?
Um...
I WANT TO EARN LOTS OF MONEY AND ALLOW MY MOM TO LIVE AT EASE
Sigh
THAT'S YOUR ONLY REASON? WHAT ABOUT WHAT YOU WANT TO DO?
THUD!
Survey for Future Courses
Sethaku High School Specific Class Year 3 class A
Kamura A
First Choice National University Medical Faculty
Second Choice Prefectural Medical School Medical Faculty
Third Choice City University Medical Faculty Guardian
ANYWAY, DO THIS OVER

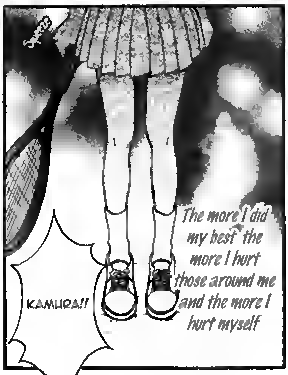
SEIHOKU HIGH BULLETIN BOARD
First in the school!
3-D Hazaki Yuki is the first member of the tennis club to appear in the national 4th nine meet
So it's this time again? Something that I want to do...
TAP
SMACK
I quit tennis when I was in middle school...
Hazaki is doing his best
HAZAKI?!

KAMURA!
I SUDDENLY STARTED GROWING SINCE I ENTERED HIGH SCHOOL
YOU'VE REALLY GROWN
IT'S BEEN A WHILE THE P.E DEPARTMENT AND THE SPECIAL CLASS DEPARTMENT ARE IN DIFFERENT BUILDINGS SO WE NEVER MEET
EMPTY
THE OTHER THIRD YEARS HAVE ALREADY RETIRED AND I HAVE A MATCH SO I PRACTICE BY MYSELF EVERYDAY UNTIL THE COACH COMES
PRACTICING ON YOUR OWN?
TAP
TAP
TAP

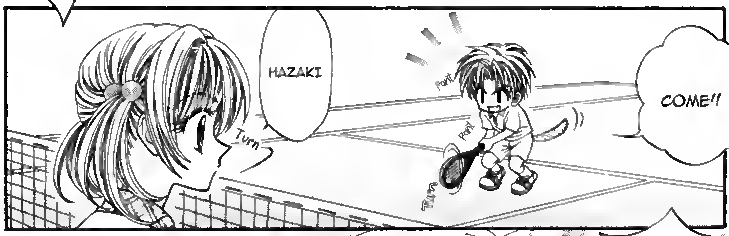
AH, KAMURA IF YOU HAVE TIME, COULD YOU BE MY HITTING PARTNER?!
BUT I HAVEN'T BEEN PLAYING EVER SINCE I ENTERED HIGH SCHOOL
DON'T LET THAT BOTHER YOU
COME ON DIDN'T YOU PROMISE ME WHEN WE WERE IN OUR THIRD YEAR OF MIDDLE SCHOOL?
YOU SAID THAT WE'D PLAY TENNIS TOGETHER EVEN IN HIGH SCHOOL
This sensation...
SQUEEZE

3 years ago
(T/N: On sign) Third City Middle School
Chatter
Chatter
What are you going to do for summer break?
I was crazy about tennis in middle school.
KAMURA! YOUR TENNIS RECOMMENDATION HAS COME FOR THE P.E. DEPARTMENT AT SEIHOKU HIGH SCHOOL!
RATTLE
WITH YOUR GRADES, YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET INTO A DEPARTMENT OTHER THAN P.E. SO CONSULT WITH YOUR FAMILY AND THEN DECIDE ON IT
Survey for Future Courses
Third year Class
FIRST CHOICE
SECOND CHOICE
GUARDIAN
YOU DID WELL. SEIHOKU IS A PRESTIGIOUS SCHOOL FOR TENNIS. YOU PROBABLY CAUGHT THEIR EYE BY BEING THE RUNNER-UP AT THE PREFECTURAL TOURNAMENT
As your adviser, I'm happy, too.
REALLY?!
I was happy to do my best with my beloved tennis.
YES!

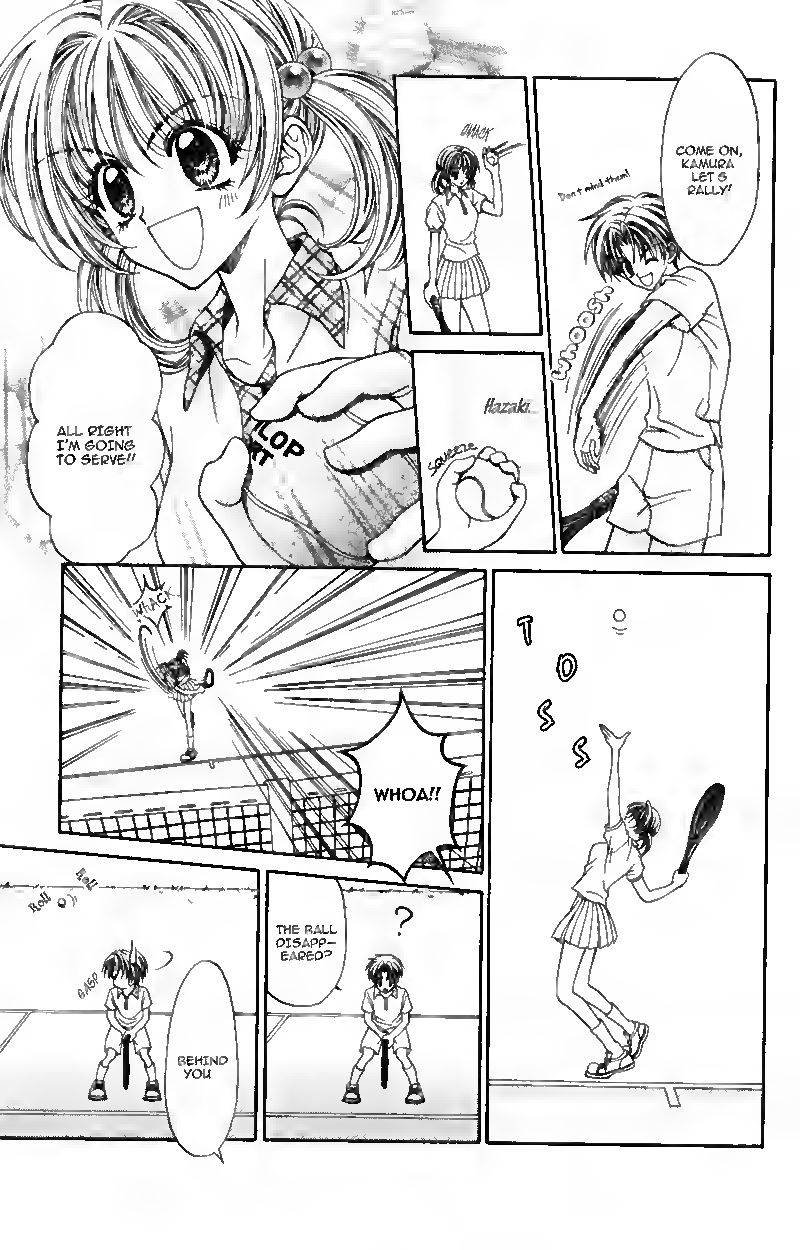
HEY, WILL SOMEONE RALLY WITH ME?!
Turns
YOU WILL BE RETIRING TODAY AS THIRD YEARS, BUT YOU ALL HAVE DONE WELL OVER THESE PAST TWO YEARS
TODAY, WE'LL DO SELF-PRACTICE EACH YOU OF YOU PLEASE ENJOY YOUR LAST CLUB ACTIVITIES
ESPECIALLY KAMURA WHO BECAME THE RUNNER-UP IN THE TOURNAMENT. IT'S A FIRST FOR OUR CLUB
SILENCE
IT'S NICE HAVING SOMEONE WITH TALENT
IF I RALLY WITH AI, MY OWN FAULTS WILL STAND OUT
EH? WE'D BE NO MATCH FOR YOU


Swish
KAMURA!!
The more I did my best the more I hurt those around me and the more I hurt myself

I just loved tennis, so I only did my best
But...
Yeah!
Let's go get some water


HAZAKI
Turn
Pant
Pant
COME!!

WHAT? EVEN THOUGH YOU DON'T SKIP CLUB YOU'LL ALWAYS LOSE IN THE FIRST ROUND, HAZAKI!
WHAT DID YOU SAY?!
SPEAKING OF WHICH, YOU GUYS, KAMURA BECAME GOOD AT TENNIS BECAUSE SHE PRACTICED ON HER OWN EVEN ON FREE DAYS!!
DON'T SAY UNNECESSARY THINGS WHEN YOU GUYS SKIP CLUB ACTIVITIES SO OFTEN!!


ALL RIGHT I'M GOING TO SERVE!!
FLOP
Whack
Don't mind them!
COME ON, KAMURA LET'S RALLY!
Whoosh
Hazaki...
Squeeze
Whack
WHOA!!
T O S S
Roll
Roll
AHEM
BEHIND YOU
THE BALL DISAPP-EARED?
?

TWANG
UNGH
?
SQUEAK
!
HEY, HOW DO YOU PERCEIVE?
WAIT! TIME-OUT!
WHEE
WUFF
YOU'RE AMAZING, KAMURA.
Ba-dump
OOOH!
YOU MOVE YOUR HIPS IN THE DIRECTION YOU THINK THE BALL WILL GO SO THAT YOU CAN RUN FOR IT
THEN WHAT ABOUT SMASHES?
SPINS?
BALANCE IT WITH YOUR LEFT HAND
AH! YOU'RE HOLDING IT WRONG!
GO FROM THE BOTTOM UP
ME TOO! I HAVE THE MOST FUN WHEN I'M PLAYING
♪
I JUST LIKE TENNIS
Amazing...?

I'VE DECIDED! I'LL TAKE THE USUAL ENTRANCE EXAM FOR THE SEIHOKU P.E DEPARTMENT!!
The exam requires no practical skill
IF I GET ACCEPTED THEN I'LL DO EVEN BETTER AND IMPROVE!
LET'S PLAY TENNIS AGAIN IN HIGH SCHOOL!!
YOU GOT A RECOMMENDATION FOR SEIHOKU, DIDN'T YOU, KAMLIKA?!
YEAH
THAT'S NICE SINCE I LOST IN THE FIRST ROUND AT THE LOCAL TOURNAMENT...
BA
DUMP
YEAH!
All right!
IT'S A PROMISE☆
I'M HOME~

TURN 15
MOM, I GOT A RECOMMEN-DATION FOR SEIHOKU HIGH!
IT'S A HIGH SCHOOL THAT'S FAMOUS FOR TENNIS! IS IT OKAY FOR ME TO ACCEPT IT?
YOU SHOULD AT LEAST DECIDE YOUR HIGH SCHOOL ON YOUR OWN.
IF ONLY DAD WERE HERE AT A TIME LIKE THIS
My makeup is perfect today, too!
Uh...
I DON'T REALLY MIND THAT I DON'T HAVE A FATHER...
SINCE I SEE THAT YOU'RE ALWAYS DOING YOUR BEST WITH YOUR WORK, MOM
BUT I'M ALREADY 15 YEARS OLD AND I WANT TO KNOW WHAT KIND OF PERSON MY DAD WAS
A drunk and a violent person? A person who cheated on Mom and rejected her? I was prepared for any answer
I UNDERS-TAND

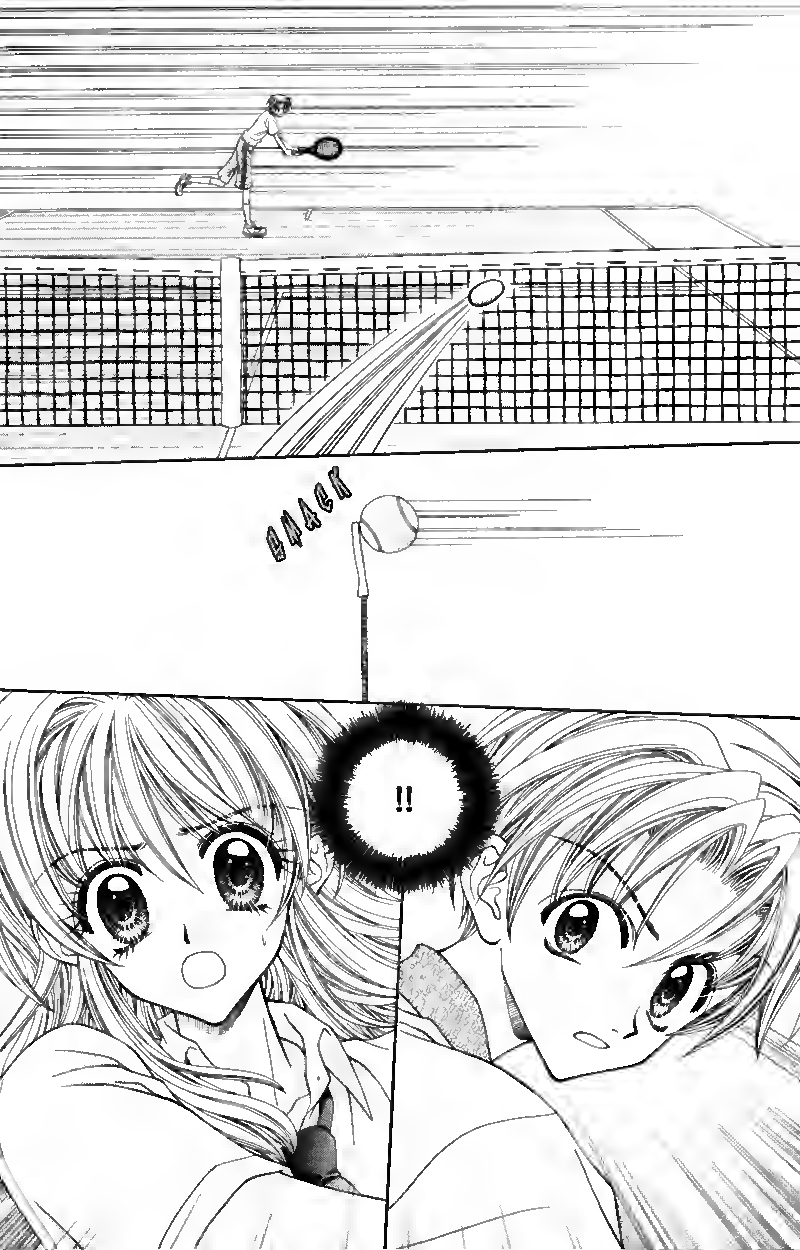
I WONDER IF HE WAS THAT MEMBER OF THE PARLIAMENT WHO POSSESSED THE SAME KIND OF SERIOUSNESS THAT YOU HAVE BUT HE WAS UGLY
Hmm
EH?
AT THE TIME YOUR FATHER WAS...
A CARPENTER? A MEMBER OF THE PARLIAMENT? A HOODLUM?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY TH—
EVEN I HAD THINGS THAT I WANTED TO DO!?
SHUTS
TH...T'S WHY I DON'T CLEARLY REMEMBER YOUR F..THER. I'M SORRY.
BUT SINCE I GAVE BIRTH TO YOU, I COMPLETELY GAVE UP ON THAT. WELL, I STILL DO A NIGHT JOB.
IN THE PAST, I WAS REALLY POOR AND I COULDN'T GO TO SCHOOL, SO I HAD NO SPECIAL SKILLS
I ONLY DID DANGEROUS JOBS TO EARN MONEY AND GET BY
Something like that...
WELL THEN I'M OFF TO WORK. I'LL BE HOME IN THE MORNING
B A M

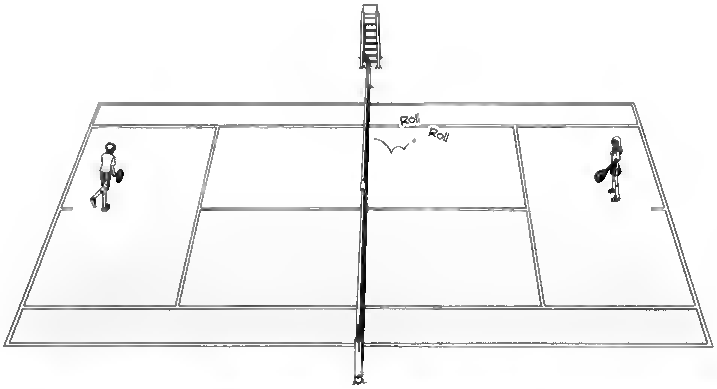
I'LL GRADUATE FROM MIDDLE SCHOOL AND WORK, SO—
I DON'T WANT TO BE A BURDEN ON YOU!!
QUIT DOING THAT JOB ALREADY!!
KIDS SHOULDN'T WORRY ABOUT HOUSEHOLD FINANCES
I DON'T WANT YOU TO END UP LIKE ME
SLAP

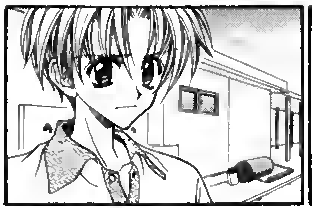
SHUTS
DON'T BECOME A PERSON LIKE ME
JUST THINK ABOUT THAT WHEN YOU CHOOSE YOUR SCHOOL
I couldn't win the prefectural tournament
In Japan and around the world there are countless people who are a lot better than I am.
Survey for Future Courses
Third Year Class
First Choice
Second Choice
Guardian
Survey for Future Courses
Third Year Class Two
First Choice Seihoku High School Special Class Department
Second Choice
Guardian
What will I be if I continue tennis?

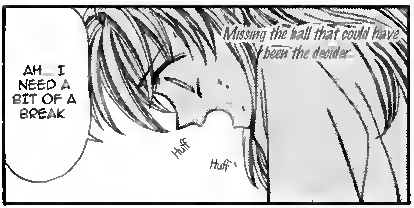
WHOOSH
Whack
He's fast!!
That's not it!! His gender has nothing to do with it
Huff
Huff
The reason I can't do it is because I quit playing.
It's because Hazaki is a guy It's only natural that he would have a different level of strength since he's now in high school.

I have to break Hazaki's pattern!!
WHACK
Whack
Whoosh
URK!!
Whack
All right! I'll definitely settle things with the next shot!!
Hazaki's hit was unsteady!

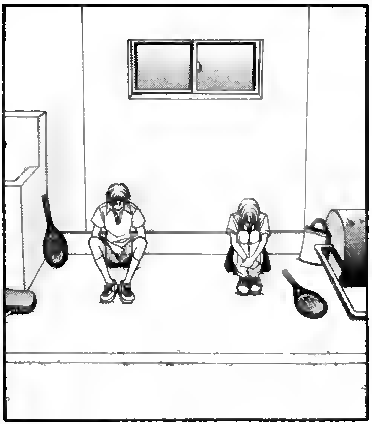

SMACK
!!


Roll
Roll




AH... I NEED A BIT OF A BREAK
Missing the ball that could have been the decider...
Huff
Huff

THERE'S NO HELPING IT SINCE YOU STOPPED FOR THREE YEARS
NO WAY!!



"It's nice having someone with talent."

Even though that made me feel really sad when someone said that...

IT'S JUST
THAT I LOVE TENNIS
SORRY I'M THE WORST FOR BLAMING IT ON TALENT
I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ANYMORE

I DECIDED TO STUDY SINCE I GOT INTO HIGH SCHOOL AND WENT INTO THE SPECIAL CLASS
I'M HOPELESS AT DECIDING WHICH UNIVERSITY I WANT TO GO TO
I'VE GIVEN MY MOM NOTHING BUT TROUBLE I NO LONGER HAVE ANYTHING TO
BUT I DID MY BEST AND THEN HAD A BIG LOSS IN THE FINALS OF THE PREFECTURAL TOURNAMENT
I THOUGHT I COULD DO ANYTHING BACK THEN

I AD-MIR-ED YOU, KAMURA
I WANTED TO BE AS GOOD AS YOU AND ALTHOUGH I WAS HOPELESS AT IT NO MATTER WHAT I DID, I JUST DIDN'T GIVE UP AND KEPT GOING
GRABS
YOU DO HAVE SOMETHING, KAMURA!
I'VE ALWAYS HAD KAMURA IN MY HEART EVEN NOW!!
KAMURA?!
I'VE LOOKED UP TO YOU TOO HAZAKI

I THOUGHT I WOULD BE CRUSHED BY THE PRESSURE
PANT
PANT
WHOOSH
BA-DUMP
BUT WHEN I WATCHED HAZAKI INNOCENTLY PLAYING TENNIS, THOSE TENSE FEELINGS DISAPPEARED

YOU HAVE ALWAYS...
BEEN IN MY HEART TOO.

I WAS FRUSTRATED WHEN I HIT THE NET AND LOST THE POINT
THE INSTANT I GRASPED THE RACKET, I FELT MY HEART BEAT FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THREE YEARS
I BECAME DESPERATE TO CHASE AFTER THE BALL.
EH?
AND I ALSO REALIZED SOMETHING WHEN I PLAYED TENNIS WITH YOU, HAZAKI!
I STILL LOVE TENNIS THIS MUCH
I KNEW IT!
TENNIS IN
JUMP

B-DUMP
I KNEW THAT YOU STILL LIKED TENNIS!
I DECIDED ON GETTING A REFERRAL TO MISAKINO UNIVERSITY
LET'S PLAY TENNIS TOGETHER IN COLLEGE!
In college...
AH!! I NEED TO TRAIN WITH MY COACH
ZIP
ZIP
YOU'RE REALLY AMAZING
THANKS FOR RALLYING WITH ME TODAY

NO OTHER PLAYER CAN GET ME THIS THRILLED AND FIRED UP
"What about what you want to do?"
I'm the same.
SEE YOU

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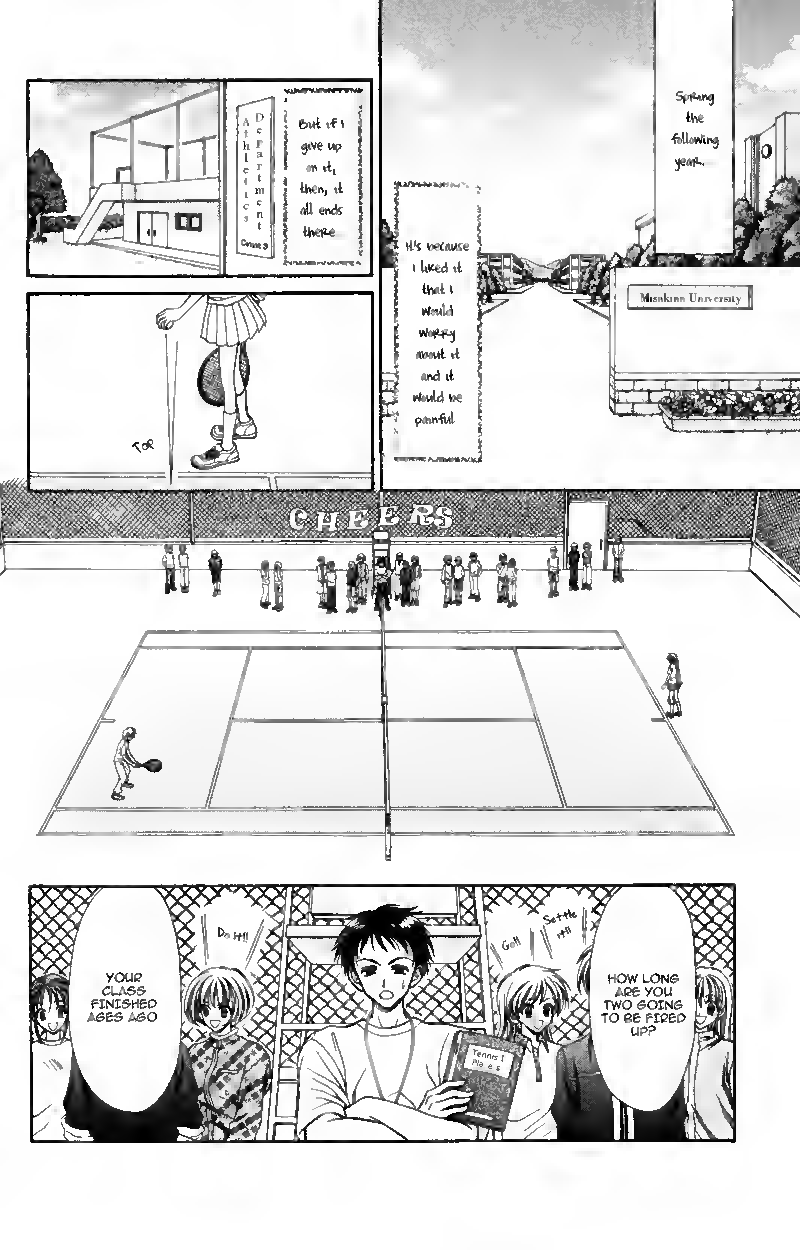
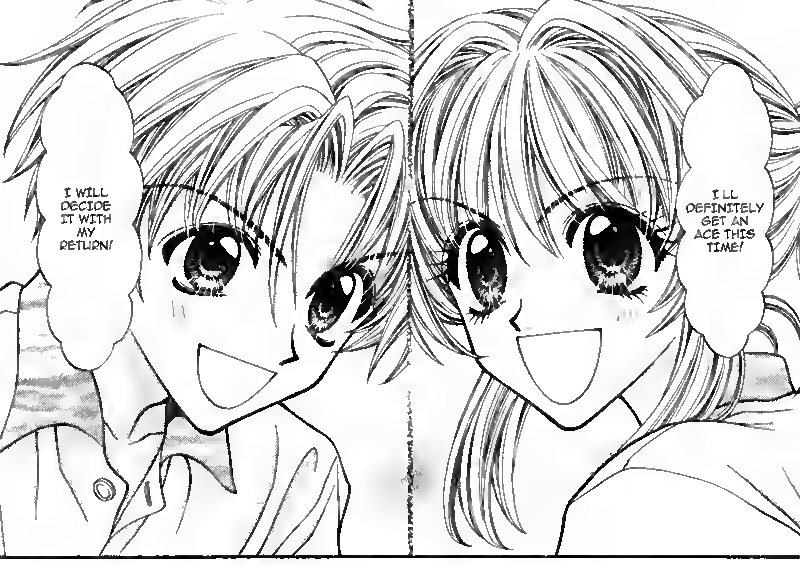
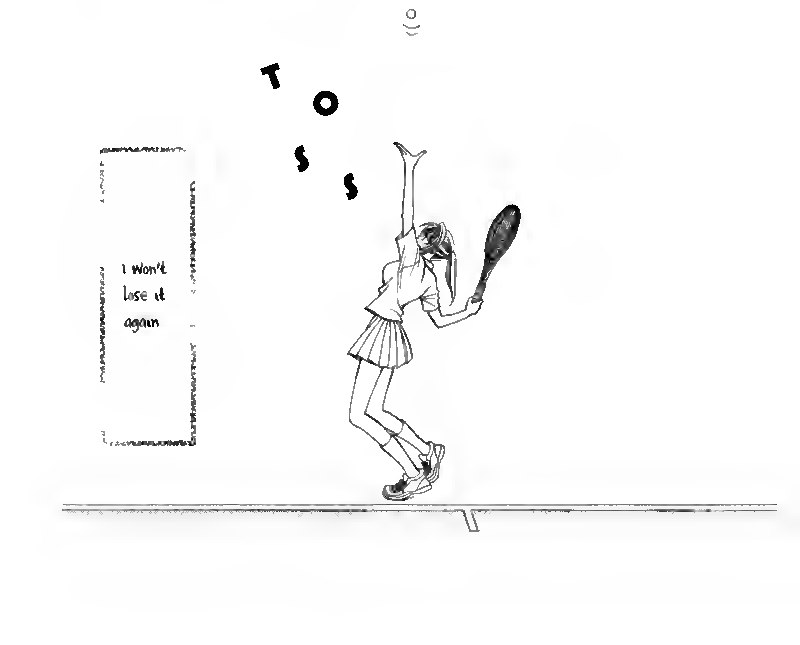
I STILL LOVE TENNIS AND I WANT TO CONTINUE IT
Things like talent ... what I'll be in the future aren't important on the scale.
I've finally come to understand that
Squeeze
Bows
MOM THANKS FOR LETTING ME DO WHAT I WANT TO DO
YOU'RE PLAYING SOMETHING, AREN'T YOU?
To be precisely no...
YOU'RE NOT HONEST ARE YOU?
I'm just happy that I can continue to do what I like doing
REALLY?
YEAH!
I SEE THAT'S GOOD EVEN SINCE YOU QUIT PLAYING YOUR EYES LOOKED DEAD
Yeah, you do!


Athletics Department Office
But if I give up on it, then, it all ends there
Spring the following year.
Meiskinn University
It's because I liked it that I would worry about it and it would be painful
TOK
CHEERS
YOUR CLASS FINISHED AGES AGO
Do it!!
Tennis! No. 1
Go!!
Settle it!!
HOW LONG ARE YOU TWO GOING TO BE FIRED UP?


I WILL DECIDE IT WITH MY RETURN!
I'LL DEFINITELY GET AN ACE THIS TIME!


TOSS
I won't lose it again

Nothing else can replace it,
this beaming sensation...
DAMN IT! I'LL GET ONE TOO!!
YOU'RE STILL AT IT...?
ALL RIGHT! I FINALLY ACED HAZAKI!!
SMACK

★★ END ★★

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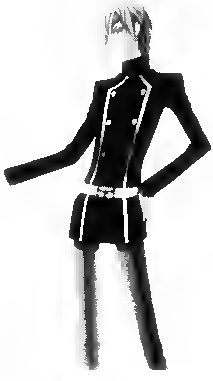

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EH... IT CONCERNS ME HOW?
I CAN'T DO ANYTHING LIKE EDITING. CLEANING. TYPESETTING OR PROOF-READING.
ALL I NEED TO DO IS CHARM THEM WITH MY KILLER SMILE!
FINE.. FINE! I'LL HELP!
If you want it, you'll get it!!!
YES. YOU DO THAT...
AND PERHAPS ENSLAVE YOURSELF TO THOSE RABID FANGIRLS. YOU'LL DO FINE!
WHAT?!

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